

Listing of Claims:

1. (previously presented) A method of verifiable voting comprising:
receiving election selections from a voter;
producing a receipt representative of the election selections, the receipt having a
unique receipt number; and
publishing election results, the election results including the election selections
and the unique receipt number.

2. (cancelled)

3. (cancelled)

4. (cancelled)

5. (currently amended) The method of claim 3 1, wherein producing a receipt
further comprises:
printing the receipt at ~~the~~ a polling place.

6. (currently amended) The method of 3 1, wherein producing a receipt further
comprises:
printing the receipt in ~~the~~ a voter booth.

7. (currently amended) The method of claim 2 1, wherein producing the receipt further comprises:

listing a receipt number and election selections on an electronic medium.

8. (cancelled)

9. (previously presented) The method of claim 8 1, wherein producing the receipt further comprises:

mailing a printed receipt in response to ~~the~~ a mail in ballot.

10. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein receiving election selections further comprises:

entering a voting station where the voter station is a telephone connection to a polling place; and

responding to election choices transmitted over the telephone connection to make election choices.

11. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein publishing election results further comprises:

printing election results in a printed media.

12. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the publishing election results further comprises:

printing the election results; and
posting the election results in a public place.

13. (previously presented) The method of claim 2 wherein the publishing election results further comprises:

posting the election results to an electronic bulletin board.

14. (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the publishing election results further comprises:

calling a telephone access system having a means of entering the receipt number, the system also having a means of responding to an entered receipt number;

entering the receipt number; and

receiving a response for the election selections which correspond to the receipt number.

15. (currently amended) A computer program stored on a computer-readable medium, the computer program comprising instructions that cause a computer to:

output election choices via a user interface accessible to a voter;

receive election selections;

produce a receipt representative of the election selections, the receipt having a unique receipt number, wherein the receipt is accessible by the voter; and

publish election results, the election results including election selections and the unique receipt number.

16. (previously presented) The computer program of claim 15 further comprising instructions to cause the computer to:

output the election results to an electronic media, the election results including the election selections and the unique receipt number.

17. (original) The computer program of claim 16 wherein the electronic media includes an electronic bulletin board.

18. (original) The computer program of claim 16 wherein the election results which are output are used for publication.

19. (currently amended) The computer program of claim 15 wherein ~~receive~~ receiving the election selections further comprises instructions to cause the computer to:

determine whether all election selections are completed, and if the election selections are completed then produce the receipt; and

determine whether a voter has indicated completion of the selection process, and if the voter indicates completion produce the receipt.

20. (previously presented) A computer program product on a computer-readable medium for providing a verifiable election, comprising:

instructions for a computer for outputting election choices via a first user interface accessible to a voter;

instructions for a computer for receiving election selections;

instructions for a computer for producing a receipt for the election selections, the receipt having a unique receipt number; and

instructions for a computer for outputting election results via a second interface accessible to the voter.

21. (new) A method for providing transparent election results, the method comprising:

receiving an election selection from a voter;

producing a receipt indicating the election selection, wherein the receipt includes a receipt number; and

displaying an election result, wherein the election result includes an indication of the election selection from the voter and the receipt number, wherein the election selection from the voter and the corresponding receipt number can be used by the voter to determine that the election selection from the voter was properly counted.

22. (new) A method for providing transparent election results, the method comprising:

receiving an election selection from a voter;

producing a receipt indicating the election selection, wherein the receipt includes a receipt number; and

displaying an election result, wherein the election result includes an indication of the election selection from the voter and the receipt number, and wherein the election result is accessible to the voter to determine that the election selection of the voter was received.

23. (new) The method of claim 22, wherein the election selection from the voter and the receipt number are further used to determine that the election selection of the voter was properly counted.

24. (new) The method of claim 22, wherein the receipt is provided to the voter at a voting location.

25. (new) The method of claim 22, wherein the receipt is printed at a polling location used by the voter.

26. (new) The method of claim 22, wherein the receipt is printed in a voting booth utilized by the voter.

27. (new) The method of claim 22, wherein displaying the election results includes an operation selected from a group consisting of: printing the election results, posting the election results in a public place; printing the election results in an electronic format, and posting the election results to an electronic bulletin board.

28. (new) A system for minimizing election fraud, the system comprising:

a computer readable medium, wherein the computer readable medium includes instructions executable by a computer processor to:

- display election choices;
- receive election selections from a voter;
- produce a receipt representative of the election selections, wherein the receipt includes a unique receipt number, and wherein the receipt is accessible by a recipient; and
- display election results, wherein the election results include election selections corresponding to the unique receipt number and to an overall election tabulation, and wherein the displayed election results are accessible by the recipient.

29. (new) A method for providing transparent election results, the method comprising:

- receiving an election selection from a voter;
- producing a receipt indicating the election selection, wherein the receipt includes a receipt number;
- providing the receipt to a recipient; and
- displaying an election result via a user interface accessible to the recipient,

wherein the election result includes an indication of the election selection from the voter and the receipt number corresponding to the voter, wherein the election selection from the voter and the receipt number corresponding to the voter can be used to determine that the election selection from the voter was properly counted.

30. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the election results include the election selections corresponding to the receipt number and to an overall election tabulation, and wherein the voter can access the published election results to verify that the election selections were received and properly incorporated in the overall election tabulation.

31. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the method further comprises:
providing a computer, wherein the computer is operable to receive the election selections.

32. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the computer is further operable to provide election choices, and wherein the election selections are a subset of the election choices.

33. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the method further includes providing the receipt to the voter.